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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
SACRAMENTO DIVISION**

LAURA NOVOTNY,

Plaintiff,

v.

MARTIN O'MALLEY,  
Commissioner of Social Security,<sup>1</sup>

Defendant.

Civil No. 2:23-cv-01880-CKD

**STIPULATION AND ORDER FOR  
VOLUNTARY REMAND**

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<sup>1</sup> Martin O'Malley became the Commissioner of Social Security on December 20, 2023. Pursuant to Rule 25(d) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Martin O'Malley should be substituted for Kilolo Kijakazi as the defendant in this suit. No further action need be taken to continue this suit by reason of the last sentence of section 205(g) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).

1 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED by and between the parties, through their undersigned attorneys,  
2 and with the approval of the Court, that this action be remanded for further administrative action  
3 pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g). The purpose of the remand is to offer Plaintiff a new  
4 decision.

5 On remand, the Commissioner will offer Plaintiff an opportunity for a new hearing, further  
6 develop the record as necessary, and issue a new decision. The parties further request that the Clerk of  
7 the Court be directed to enter a final judgment in favor of Plaintiff, and against Defendant, reversing the  
8 final decision of the Commissioner.

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10 Date: February 7, 2024

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21 ORDER

22 APPROVED AND SO ORDERED.

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24 Dated: February 7, 2024

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26 CAROLYN K. DELANEY  
27 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
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